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July 19, 2002

**TO:** All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters (02201)

**FROM:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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Chief, Elections Division

**SUBJECT:** **VOTING MODERNIZATION BOARD DECISION RE  
PROPOSITION 41 FUNDS**

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

The Voting Modernization Board (VMB) met on Wednesday, July 17<sup>th</sup> to determine a formula for allocation of Proposition 41 funds to counties to modernize their voting systems. The Board decided that:

1. The formula shall be based on an equal weighting of four factors -- the number of eligible voters, the number of registered voters, the average turnout at the last 4 elections, and the number of polling places.
2. There will be a cap on the State's contribution of no more than \$3,000 per voting machine.
3. Each application for funds must include a plan for how the county will provide accessible voting opportunities for persons with disabilities.

We will send you, on Monday or Tuesday, the final formula, along with the exact text of the VMB's decision. You will also receive a calculation, based on the formula, of the maximum amount each county will be eligible to receive under the adopted formula, subject to submission of actual invoices. You will also receive the minutes of the meeting and a description of the process for formally applying for funds, including an Application Form.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly at 916/653-3228.

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